

Chambers of Senior Judge Thomas C. Platt, Jr.

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Thomas C. Platt, Jr.
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1925
Education: Yale 1947 BA, 1950 LLB
Began Service: May 1974
Appointed By: President Richard M. Nixon

Corporate: Director and Secretary, RAC Corp (1972-1974); Director, Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Co (1973-1974); Director and Secretary, McIntyre Aviation Inc (1967-1974)

Government: Assistant United States Attorney, Eastern District of New York, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1953-1956); Attorney, Village of Laurel Hollow, New York (1958-1974); Acting Police Justice, State of New York (1958-1963)

Legal Practice: Associate, Root, Ballantine, Harlan, Bushby & Palmer (1950-1953); Partner, Bleakley, Platt, Schmidt & Fritz (1960-1974)

Military Service: United States Naval Reserve (1943-1946)

Current Memberships: Federal Bar Council

Staff

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Sterling Johnson, Jr.
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1934
Education: Brooklyn 1963 BA; Brooklyn Law 1966 LLB
Began Service: 1991
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Government: Assistant United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1967-1970); Special Narcotics Prosecutor, United States Department of Justice (1975-1991); Member, United States Sentencing Commission (1999-2001)

Military Service: United States Marine Corps (1952-1955); United States Naval Reserve (1955-1975)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Bar Association, National Conference of Federal Trial Judges; National Black Prosecutors Association; National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives; New York State Bar; New York State District Attorneys Association

Staff

Law Clerk **Nekia Shantel Hackworth** (718) 613-2460
Education: Harvard 2004 MBA, 2004 JD
Law Clerk **Elliot F. Kaye** (718) 613-2460
Education: NYU 2005 JD
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Chambers of Senior Judge Arthur D. Spatt

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Arthur D. Spatt
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1925
Education: Ohio State 1947; Brooklyn Law 1949 LLB
Began Service: December 15, 1989
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Judicial: Justice, New York Supreme Court, 10th Judicial Circuit (1978-1982); Administrative Judge, Nassau County (1982-1986); Associate Justice, New York Supreme Court, Second Judicial Department, Appellate Division (1986-1989)

Legal Practice: Associate, Davidson & Davidson; Associate, Lane, Winard, Robinson & Schorr; Associate, Alfred S. Julien (1951-1952); Associate, Florea & Florea; Sole Practitioner (1953-1967); Partner, Spatt & Bauman (1967-1978)

Military Service: United States Navy (1944-1946)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Association of Supreme Court Justices of the State of New York; Bar Association of Nassau County; Brooklyn Law Review Association; Federal Bar Association; Jewish Lawyers Association of Nassau County; Long Beach Lawyers Association

Staff

Law Clerk **Jeffrey Amato** (631) 712-5620
Education: St John's U (NY) 2002 JD
Law Clerk **Daniel Venditti** (631) 712-5620
Education: Hofstra 2004 JD
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Chambers of Senior Judge Denis R. Hurley

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Denis R. Hurley
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1937
Education: Wharton 1959 BS; Columbia 1962 MBA; Fordham 1966 LLB
Began Service: December 1991
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush
Political Affiliation: Republican

Academic: Instructor, Long Island University (1971-1973); Instructor, Suffolk County Community College (1984-1990); Adjunct Professor, Touro (1995-1997)

Government: Principal Assistant District Attorney, State of New York (1968-1970); Legislator, County of Suffolk, New York (1978-1979); Senior Assistant County Attorney, County of Suffolk, New York (1980-1981)

Judicial: Judge, New York State Family Court (1983-1987); Acting Justice, New York Supreme Court (1987-1988); Judge, New York State County Court (1988-1991)

Legal Practice: Associate, Bond, Schoenck & King (1966-1968); Associate then Partner, Pike, Behringer & Hurley (and successor firms) (1970-1982)

Military Service: New York Army National Guard (1960-1966)

Nonprofit: Member, Little Flower Union Free School Board (1972-1977)

Current Memberships: Alexander Hamilton Inn of the Court; Suffolk County Bar Association

Staff

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Chambers of Senior Judge Frederic Block

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Frederic Block
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1934
Education: Indiana 1956 AB; Cornell 1959 LLB
Began Service: 1994
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Academic: Adjunct Professor, Touro Law School (1992-1994)

Clerkships: Law Clerk, New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division, Third Judicial Department (1959-1961)

Government: Counsel, Education Committee, New York State Constitutional Convention (1967)

Legal Practice: Associate, Dranitzke & Lechtrecker (1961-1962); Sole Practitioner (1962-1963); Partner, Burns & Block (1963-1965); Sole Practitioner (1965-1968); Partner, Baranello, Block & Namm (1968-1974); Sole Practitioner (1974-1979); Partner, Hull, Block & Grundfast (1977-1979); Sole Practitioner (1979-1981); Partner, Block & Costa (1981-1983); Sole Practitioner (1983-1985); Partner, Block & Hamburger (1985-1988); Partner, Block, Amelkin & Hamburger (1988-1994)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; New York State Bar Association; Suffolk County Bar Association

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Chambers of Chief Magistrate Judge Michael L. Orenstein

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Michael L. Orenstein
Chief Magistrate Judge

Began Service: 1991
Term Expires: 2007

Staff

Permanent Law Clerk **Linda Johnston** (631) 712-5700
Education: St John's U (NY) JD
Secretary **Cristine Danisi** (631) 712-5700

Chambers of Magistrate Judge Joan M. Azrack

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Joan M. Azrack
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1951
Education: Rutgers 1974 BS;
New York Law 1979 JD
Began Service: December 13, 1990
Term Expires: December 2006

Academic: Visiting Instructor, Harvard University

Government: Attorney, Criminal Division, United States Department of Justice Honors Program (1979-1981); Assistant United States Attorney, Eastern District of New York, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1981-1990)

Staff

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Chambers of Magistrate Judge Marilyn D. Go

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Marilyn D. Go
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1950
Education: Radcliffe 1973 BA; Harvard 1977 JD
Began Service: March 10, 1993
Term Expires: March 9, 2009

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable William M. Marutani, Pennsylvania Court of Common Pleas (1977-1978)

Government: Assistant United States Attorney, Eastern District of New York, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1978-1982)

Legal Practice: Partner, Baden, Kramer, Huffman, Brodsky & Go, P.C. (1982-1992)

Staff

Law Clerk **Josh Proujansky** (718) 613-2553
Education: NYU 1999 JD
Law Clerk/Courtroom Deputy **Jean Hee Park** (718) 613-2554
Education: Brooklyn 2000 JD
Secretary **Yvonne DeVeaux** (718) 613-2550

Chambers of Magistrate Judge Steven M. Gold

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Steven M. Gold
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1955
Education: Wesleyan U 1977 BA; Yale 1980 JD
Began Service: February 23, 1993

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Herbert F. Murray, United States District Court for the District of Maryland (1980-1981)

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